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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
FROM: John F. Blake
Deputy Director for Administration
SUBJECT: CIA Guest Speaker Program - Senator
Daniel K. Inouye

OLC #77-1796

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REFERENCES: (a) Letter to Senator Inouye from DCI, dated 4 November 1976
(b) Memo to DCI from DDA, dated 29 November 1976
(c) Memo to ADCI from DDA, dated 4 March 1977

1. Action Requested: It is requested that you sign the attached letter to Senator Daniel K. Inouye inviting him to be CIA Guest Speaker on Tuesday, 14 June 1977, on the subject of "Congressional Oversight of the Intelligence Community." If he accepts, it is requested that you plan to introduce him.

2. Background: Senator Inouye accepted an invitation from Mr. Bush to be CIA Guest Speaker on 14 December 1976. About 10 days before the event, his staff notified us that Senator Inouye was in Hawaii and would have to cancel. He canceled, at the same time, a number of briefings the Legislative Counsel had arranged for him. It is possible that Senator Inouye was waiting for a resolution of the question of CIA leadership. The Senator's staff left the way open for us to return with another date.

In March 1977, with Mr. Knoche's approval, the Legislative Counsel raised the question again with the staff. The date then proposed was not convenient; and on the second try, the staff suggested we send another letter.

The advent of a new Director seems a propitious time to invite the Chairman of the Senate Select Committee to meet with us on a question of importance to us both.

3. Staff Position: The Legislative Counsel concurs with the recommendation.

4. Recommendation: It is recommended that you sign the attached letter.

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